

## **Global Mission Ministry**

The Global Mission Ministry continues to work prayerfully to support Saint Mark's stated Mission to "listen and respond to the needs of the world". In 2013, we worked to answer God's call through contributing to disaster relief efforts in Philippines and the U.S., humanitarian needs of Syrian refugees, education and health for people of Congo and more.

Through Global Mission, Saint Mark has long-standing relationships with people and organizations in Haiti, Cameroon, and Lithuania and has participated in mission trips to all three countries over the years.

## **Global Mission Partnerships**

### **1) Haiti Partnership**

Saint Mark has been a playful and financial supporter of Hearts with Haiti, a 501c3 nonprofit supporting the vision and ministry of the St. Joseph Family in Haiti. We have given \$5000 for finishing the worship space at Saint Joseph's Home. The space is used, at a minimum, twice a day for services and by the community. GMM money was used to purchase and install tile in the worship space.

Additional funds for Roy's 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary and member contributions continued to be distributed to Haiti projects throughout the year.

### **2) Cameroon Partnership**

Since 2001, our partnership has focused on the villages of Tchekos and Ngoro. Battokok Bityeki continues to be the Saint Mark liaison in the region. In 2013 GMM sent \$1000 to the Ngoro church through Battokok. This money was intended for maintenance and improvement projects for the Ngoro church. Another \$1000 was sent through Battokok to the Tchekos church intended for dispensary equipment.

### **3) Lithuania Partnership**

In Lithuania, we have a long-term relationship, led by Ellen Kiel, with Co-Missionaries Becky and Eric Hinderliter who serve the PCUSA at the Lithuanian Christian College International University in Klaipeda. In 2013, we continued our financial support for Becky and Eric's mission work and for the University's scholarship fund. Becky and Eric have been teaching at the University for 12 and 13 years respectively. Their mens' prison ministry that they began in 2005 continues with monthly visits. The Hinderlitters gave an educational presentation on their work during their stateside visit in June. GMM gave \$3000 through PCUSA to their continued mission work and \$1000 to the University's scholarship fund.

### **Additional Work of Global Mission**

Through the generosity of Saint Mark members, visitors, and friends, we were able to support organizations and individuals responding to disasters and other needs throughout the world. This was the first year GMM gave to the Congo Lotus Care Project, a health clinic focused on female health led by Mpalata and Godlieve Mukanya. The health clinic is still growing and thriving in Kinshasa.

See below for a detailed financial record of our ministries use of the 2013 operating budget. There was additional money distributed through GMM that was allocated last year, generously donated by members, or raised for Haiti relief. Such donations are not reflected in the below 2013 operating budget.

<b>Group</b>	<b>Designated for</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Battokok Bityeki	Ngoro Parrish	1,000.00
Battokok Bityeki	Tchekos Parrish	1,000.00
Doctors Without Borders	Syrian Refugee Work in Jordan	1,000.00
Living Waters for the World	Living Waters for the World	1,000.00
Congo Lotus Care Project	Congo Lotus Care Project	490.00*
Presbyterian Church (USA)	Oklahoma Tornado Relief	1,000.00
Presbyterian World Mission	Lithuania Christian College Scholarship	1,000.00
Presbyterian World Mission	Lithuania mission workers Eric & Becky Hinderliter	3,000.00
Able & Willing Foundation	Education of Congolese Children	1,000.00
Presbyterian World Mission	Madagascar, Mission workers	1,461.66
Presbyterian World Mission	Philippines, Disaster Relief	1,461.66
Presbyterian World Mission	Philippines, Mission workers	1,461.67
	Total:	14,875.00

\*A total of \$1000 was donated. Nearly half came out of the 2013 operating budget, while the other half was set aside from the 2012 operating budget.

## **2014 AND BEYOND**

In 2014, the Global Mission Ministry Team will prayerfully consider our partnerships and our work. Through God's grace, may we work to improve our ways to help empower those who are weak and support those that are strong so that they may help others. Let us acknowledge the endless need in the world and may our prayers and financial assistance help those in need. We would like to inspire and increase the congregation's participation in Global Mission possibilities and partnerships. The Global Mission Ministry is blessed by the generosity of the people of Saint Mark. We take our responsibility seriously as we strive to hear God's call throughout the world. We thank the members of the Global Mission Ministry Team for their incredible and faithful service during 2013.

Blessings,  
Alison Dewey, Elder  
Ellen Kiel, Convener